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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, GE, US
SUBJECT: SHABA POST-MORTEM

REF: BONN 9373

1. IN COURSE OF DINNER AT RESIDENCE FOR CULTURAL MINISTER
HOFFMANN ON MAY 23, DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER GRUNERT STRONG-
LY DENIED ANY GDR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE KATANGA INSURGENTS
OR THEIR SHABA OPERATIONS. HE INDICATED THAT THE ALLE-
GATION OF GDR PARTICIPATION IN THE SHABA AFFAIR WAS STILL
ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE VICIOUS PROPAGANDA AGAINST THE
GDR, ESPECIALLY BY THE SPRINGER PRESS IN THE FRG.

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2. GRUNERT DID NOT MENTION THE FRANCO-BELGIUM OPERATION
OR U.S. ASSISTANCE. I EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT INCREASING
VIOLENCE IN AFRICA AND TOLD HOFFMANN THAT THE ALLEGATION
ABOUT GDR PARTICIPATION IN THE SHABA OPERATION MAY
BE RAISED AT HIS WASHINGTON PRESS CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK.
HOFFMANN SAID HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO HANDLE ANY SUCH

QUESTIONS.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT INR HAS BEEN PREPARING A STUDY ON GDR ACTIVITIES IN AFRICA. IF SUCH A STUDY EXISTS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING A SUMMARY, PARTICULARLY COVERING HARD EVIDENCE OF GDR MILITARY AND INTERNAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO AFRICAN STATES. BOLEN

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